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Vaikunta Ekadashi

Devotees throng city temples

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MTY&DM)- Devotees thronged various temples in the city, including Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple, to celebrate the auspicious day of Vaikunta Ekadashi.

This day is dedicated to worshipping Lord Vishnu and devotees observe fasts, offer prayers and seek blessings at Temples. It is believed that on Vaikunta Ekadashi, the gates of Vaikunta (Lord Vishnu's abode) open for devotees. Many followers believe that observing fasts and engaging in prayers on this day can cleanse their souls, bestow divine blessings and lead to spiritual liberation *(Moksha)*. Devotees observe Vrata (austerity) on this festival.

At Avadhoota Datta Peetham of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram on Nanjangud Road, Vaikunta Ekadashi was celebrated with enthusiasm at Sri Datta Venkateshwara Temple.

Gita Jayanti Day was also marked with Sampoorna Bhagavad Gita Parayana at the Temple's Nada Mantapa, drawing hundreds of devotees seeking *darshan* of the deity.

Special pujas and rituals took place at the renowned Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple on KRS Road in V.V. Mohalla. Devotees flocked to the temple early in the morning and similar rituals were performed at ISKCON in Jayanagar, Sri Yoga Narasimhaswamy Temple at Vijayanagar and other Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy temples in different areas of the city. Temples, including those at Raghavendranagar, SBM Colony, Siddarthanagar and near Chikkamma Niketana Kalyana Mantapa, saw active participation.

Ladoos and prasadam were distributed to devotees at Venkataramanaswamy Temple on Dr. Rajkumar Road and other temples. Temples dedicated to Lord Vishnu will remain open throughout the day and late into the night, allowing devotees to offer prayers.

Traffic Police were deployed in front of Vishnu Temples to regulate traffic and ensure smooth movement in the vicinity.

VOICE OF THE READER

Request to CM Siddaramaiah

Give Mysuru a world class Art Gallery

Sir,

Today's newspapers had published a report that our Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had said that he would get all necessary facilities to Mysuru, which, he affirmed, is a cultural and heritage city.

I am reminded of former Chief Minister R. Gundu Rao, who came from Kodagu, saying that Kodagu people should ask whatever facilities and infrastructure they wanted during his tenure as Chief Minister. But sadly, except for Bengaluru and Mysuru Kodava Samajas, Kodagu people did not make any worthwhile demand on him.

Here in Mysuru it should not happen that way. We Mysureans should immediately get cracking on the Chief Minister's assurance and give a list of facilities we need.

As for me and my artist friends, one MOST important facility we need is a world class Art Gallery where paintings, sculptures and their exhibitions and sale could be held. It should also provide for an intimate auditorium, a library, workshop area and, of course, a canteen. It must have sufficient parking space with a campus of green lawns, flower-beds and greenery.

If Siddaramaiah gives us this Art Gallery, he would have given us a piece of paradise indeed. We can even name it after him "Siddaramaiah Art Gallery."

R. Gundu Rao gave us a Kalamandira for which my small role *(alilu seve)* was also there. It was, however, named 'Karnataka Kalamandira,' not as 'Gundu Rao Kalamandira!'

Likewise, this Siddaramaiah-built Art Gallery too can be called 'Mysuru Art Gallery.'

—K.B. Ganapathy,
Sr. Journalist
Mysuru
23.12.2023

To Our Readers

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Parliament security breach case

Mysuru's Manoranjan maybe mastermind, say Delhi Police

Manoranjan

New Delhi / Mysuru, Dec. 23 (BLU & BCT)- The Delhi Police Special Cell sleuths, who are intensely interrogating the Parliament security breach case, are suspecting D. Manoranjan from Vijayanagar in Mysuru, to be the mastermind behind the conspiracy.

Officers privy to the investigation have said that investigations have revealed that Manoranjan hatched the conspiracy to send a message to the ruling Government by doing "something big," said sources.

According to the Police, Lalit Jha, another accused, has revealed to the interrogators that Manoranjan was the one who motivated other members to do something big and planned the breach in the Parliament. However, Jha's role was only to destroy the evidence after the act.

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Pratap Simmha records statement

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi announced in New Delhi that the statement of BJP Lok Sabha member Pratap Simmha has been officially recorded as part of the ongoing investigation into the Parliament security breach case. The conspirators used the passes provided by the Mysuru-Kodagu MP's office to enter the high-security Parliament.

Pratap Simmha

Speaking to reporters yesterday, Joshi emphasised that a thorough inquiry is in progress and the law will take its course once the report is submitted. He noted that the security breach has prompted significant and necessary changes.

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 23rd December 2023

Vocal concert by Sai Eishwary Mahashabde on Dec. 25

Mysuru, Dec. 23- As part of 'Ninaada Griha Sangeeta Series,' Ranjani Memorial Trust, Udupi, has organised a Hindustani vocal concert by Sai Eishwary Mahashabde of Pune on Dec. 25 at 6 pm at No. 37, 'Ninaada,' Rishabh Siddhi Layout, Kergalli.

He will be accompanied on tabla by Sagar Bharatraj and on harmonium by Tejas Katoti.

Sai Eishwary Mahashabde

Profile: Sai Eishwary belongs to a family of musicians. His grandfather Manohar Mahashabde and his father Dilip Mahashabde were vocalists. Sai Eishwary began his training in music at Sri Sathya Sai Mirpuri College of Music under the tutelage of Kumudini Mundkur. He got selected as a scholar at the prestigious ITC Sangeet Research Academy under Padma Shri Pandit Ulhas Kashalkar. He is also trained in semi-classical genres from late *Padma Vibhushan* Vidu. Girija Devi.

Sai Eishwary is the recipient of scholarship for young artistes by Ministry of Culture. A residential scholar at ITC, SRA, he has been awarded 'Kal Ke Kalakar' from Kala Parishad, Bhopal.

Sai Eishwary has performed in Dadar Matunga Cultural Centre Mumbai, Wednesday recital at ITC, Bharat Bhavan Bhopal etc. He is pursuing Ph.D in Music from Banasthali Vidyapeeth.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Every religion emphasises some fundamental truths—faith, piety, kindness to elders and family members, to be caring, honest, to avoid evil. There is an emphasis on good deeds and patience, tolerance and humility. These are qualities which are not so much to do with religion as with spirituality. They are universal. And given the fact that 99.76% persons are followers of one denomination or another, you would be forgiven if you were to believe that we live in a kind, caring, peaceful society.

You just have to look around to realise that paradoxically, despite our allegiance to religious beliefs, we so sorely lack very many of the qualities which go into the making of a kind society. It would appear that society is in a state of deterioration. Lack of tolerance is manifest. Cheating and absence of trust abounds. Venality is rampant. Truth is a casualty. People almost seem to be shy to be kind; kindness is looked upon suspiciously. Women feel unsafe. Crime has increased. Gut churning violence is common.

What is it that we as a society need to do to arrest this slide? Religion with its emphasis on reward and punishment in the afterlife for evil or good deeds done in this, has obviously not been too successful. Evil appears to be getting rewarded. The result has been that there is frustration, anger, desperation, estrangement. The family is the basic unit where all values are taught and learnt. And this institution is crumbling. There is a serious societal crisis brewing bordering on a spiritual catastrophe.

Our religious leaders while emphasising rituals need also to lay emphasis on basic goodness — that is a surer way to attain God's mercy. Enforcers of law can only instil fear not goodness. We as a society need to focus on parents, teaching them, supporting them, helping them. We need to reach out to schools. Greater emphasis on ethics is needed where children can learn moral values. All hands are needed on the deck. We cannot afford to be silent spectators — the consequences will be dangerous.

— Najib Shah in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Satan tarantula discovered in Ecuador

Quito: A new species of eight-eyed tarantula with "attitude like Satan" has been discovered in Ecuador, according to a report. Scientists discovered the scary-looking hairy spider while hunting for new species of tree spiders in 2021, but the study about its discovery was published recently. The tarantula has officially been named Psalmopoeus Satanas or Satan Tarantula, for its bad temperament. It was located under a bamboo tree but refused to be taken captive without a fight.

The spider also attempted to escape making "quick sporadic movements, nearly too fast to see," the report said. However, the arachnid's gestures did not work and it was captured.

The dark-brown Satan Tarantula is just under two inches in length with eight eyes and eight legs coated with 'golden' hair.

Bonus to employees who run 2 kms a day

Beijing: A company in China has designed a scheme to promote exercise – enticing financial rewards for employees who exercise on a daily basis.

Guangdong Dongpo Paper, a paper company in Guangdong Province, China, recently made headlines for replacing its traditional performance-based employee bonus scheme with one based on athletic performance. To promote a healthy lifestyle among its 100 employees, the management has decided to reward them based on how much they exercise.

For example, an employee will be eligible for a full monthly bonus if he runs 50 km a month. They will get 60 percent of the bonus for running 40 km, and 30 percent for 30 km. The distance run by every employee is tracked by an app on their phones, which also takes into account activities like mountain hiking and speed walking.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Apart from acting as a filter, kidneys also produce various hormones which regulate bodily functions. Renin is one such hormone which is responsible for high blood pressure.

By Dr. Vipin Kaverappa P.T. - Consultant – Nephrology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Stock verification postponed: City Libraries to function as usual

Mysuru, Dec. 23- On account of several competitive exams to take place in the month of January 2024, the Department of Public Libraries, in the interest of examinees, students and the general public, has postponed the annual stock verification of books which was earlier scheduled to take place in all branch and service libraries from Dec.21, 2023 to Jan.31, 2024, during which the public were barred from borrowing or returning books.

Following the postponement, the readers, students and other users can avail all the library facilities in city as usual, according to a press release.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **96.86 feet**	Today's level **2,273.52 feet**	Today's level **2,830.33 feet**
Last year's level **120.00 feet**	Last year's level **2,270.88 feet**	Last year's level **2,828.19 feet**
Yesterday's level **96.82 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,273.56 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,830.32 feet**
Today's Inflow **1,304 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **119 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **130 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **875 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **100 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Scorpions may be the oldest land animals still living today. The fossil record suggests ancient scorpions were among the first marine animals to venture onto dry land, which happened about 420 million years ago, during the Silurian Period. For comparison, the earliest-known dinosaurs evolved about 240 million years ago. And modern humans only date back about 200,000 years, which means we're roughly 2,100 times younger than scorpions.***
- ***Of all lizard species, only one can swim! The Marine Galapagos Lizard swims, not for fish, but for algae, which they scrape off rocks with their sharp teeth and claws. They can even hold their breath for an hour to do it!***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Teacher: *What did the train say when it sneezed?*

Student: *"Choo Choo!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 83.29
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 105.80
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.64
1 Euro	= Rs. 91.72

VOICE OF THE READER

Poornaiah Canal drone survey: We people should support DC

Sir,

The news item in *SOM* dated Dec. 17 about the "Drone survey of Poornaiah Canal" likely brought joy to every Mysurean, with only a few exceptions.

For years, environmental activists have fervently advocated for the preservation of Kukkarahalli Lake and the Dewan Poornaiah Canal that brings water to the Kukkarahalli Lake from far-flung areas. Finally, there is a glimmer of hope that their aspirations might be realised, all thanks to the proactive efforts of our Deputy Commissioner, Dr. K.V. Rajendra.

Upon his transfer from Mangaluru to Mysuru, Dr. Rajendra promptly demonstrated a keen interest in safeguarding Kukkarahalli Lake and initiating the removal of encroachments along the 22-kilometre stretch of the Poornaiah Canal. His articulated strategy for the systematic removal of encroachments, while adhering to the rule of law, signals his readiness to confront any obstacles posed by vested interests.

Given recent history, any official undertaking such bold measures to expose corruption might face the likelihood of a transfer. The question arises: Will history repeat itself in this case?

The power lies with the people. If we unite and resist any such transfer, we can shape history. In a democracy, it's crucial to remember that we are the masters who can compel the political system to act in the best interest of the city, rather than catering to a select few.

To achieve this, every Mysurean, every NGO, every trade association, and so forth, must actively participate in large numbers. Let us prepare ourselves before it becomes too late. Together, we can ensure a positive outcome for our city.

—Bhamy V. Shenoy
Founding Working President,
Mysore Grahakara Parishat
Mysuru
8.12.2023

Mysuru's first bird feeding station inaugurated at PFA

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (BCT)- Former Deputy Mayor Dr. Roopa inaugurated the city's first bird feeding station at People For Animals (PFA) on Dec. 21. This initiative was made possible through the dedicated efforts and sponsorship of Kokila Ramesh Jain.

The inauguration event was marked by the vaccination of dogs for rabies and distemper, sponsored by Jeev Daya Jain Charity (JDJC). Members of JDJC including Anju Oswal, Anju Palrecha, Kavita Lakshmi, along with PFA's staff and management were present.

Taking a holistic approach to environmental conservation, 'Bhu Maitri', under the leadership of Kokila Jain, contributed to the event by planting two indigenous saplings aimed at attracting more birds to the area.

Dr. Roopa expressed her appreciation for Kokila Jain's relentless work and dedication towards the conservation of birds and sparrows. She also commended PFA for their efforts in providing care and rehabilitation for injured birds and animals.

She underlined the importance of planting more fruit-bearing and flowering trees to create a natural habitat for birds. While acknowledging the bird feeding station as a temporary solution, Dr. Roopa emphasised its critical necessity in the face of deforestation and urbanisation. She urged the community to join hands and contribute to a greener future by planting more trees.

Budding brains in Math given 'Nakshatra' Annual Awards

Star of Mysore ***and*** *Mysuru Mithra* ***Founder-Editor Dr. K.B. Ganapathy and retired HoD, National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, Dr. K.S. Chandrashekar presenting 'Math Champ' award to Ayush Pated. Also seen are*** *(from left)* ***Kavery of Math Junior Education, Mathematician Dr. M.E. Shobha of Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT) and Ganapathy M. Uthappa of Math Junior Education.***

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MK&BS)- Budding Mathematicians with notable achievements to their credit were conferred 'Nakshatra' Annual Awards by Math Junior Education, at Kalamandira in the city yesterday.

Math Junior Education, founded by Ganapathy M. Uthappa and Kavery couple, had organised 'Nakshtra' Annual Awards ceremony, as part of National Mathematics Day, coinciding with the birth anniversary of renowned Mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan.

The awards were distributed by Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Dr. K.B. Ganapathy (KBG) along with retired HoD, National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, Dr. K.S. Chandrashekar and Mathematician Dr. M.E. Shobha, Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT), Manipal.

The students solved Mathematical problems in a jiffy, to the applause of the gathering who were awestruck by the wizardry of the young brains, who were bestowed the award for their feat.

The programme began with Bharatanatyam performance for the song 'Himagiri Thanaye Hemalathe...,' followed by Speed Math demonstration by Chiranthan Gowda. The innate skill of Ayush Pated, a student of fifth grade, in solving Math problems in no time, fetched him 'Math Champ' award.

Recipients of National-level 'Nakshatra' annual awards are as follows: V. Vihaan, Ayush Pated, M.D. Pratheeksha, S. Manvith, Vinitha M. Gowda, S. Ganika, M. Lishith Gowda, R. Daivika Skanda and N.S. Sathwik.

Recipients of National-level Topper award are K.P. Dhanyatha, Kashinath P. Umesh, Rishan Harsha, C. Ullash, Avyan Devaruppala, Amrita Kulkarni, Ayanya Srivastava, N.P. Vishrutha, N.S. Vedanth Gowda, Jasnika Palatheerdhapu, Rohith S. Mohan, M.G. Arjun Mandanna, Dukshit C. Reddy, V. Bhavani and G.S. Amith.

In Robotics Division, student Rohan P. Gowda, who had built 'Smart Bridge' and student duo Shaurya Patel and Manvith, who built 'Automatic Railway Gate,' were presented with 'Nakshatra' annual award. S. Vinutha was conferred Best Teacher Award.

Over 200 children were conferred various prizes won in the competitions conducted in various categories of Mathematical study.

Chief guest Dr. Chandrashekar said: "The parents should identify the skill in their children and encourage them to pursue their passion. If the parents insist on their wards towing lines according to their wish, it would jeopardise their future. Every kid has a talent and the parents job is to identify and encourage them."

Explaining the significance of National Mathematics Day, Dr. Chandrashekar said: "The birth anniversary of Srinivasa Ramanujan, who was born on Dec. 22, 1887 at Erode in Tamil Nadu, is celebrated as National Math Day every year, to recall the contributions and achievements of the genius he was. It is also our duty to remember the achievements of Shakuntala Devi who was popular as 'Human Computer'."

In his opening remarks, Ganapathy M. Uthappa, who mooted the need to save environment, apart from teaching Mathematics, administered the oath to protect environment to the students.

'60-Minute Speed Math Book,' authored by Ganapathy Uthappa, was also released on the occasion.

Dr. Shobha delivered a lecture on 'National Mathematics Day' and significance of learning Mathematics. Co-Founder of Math Junior Kavery and others were present.

Sans Math, other specialities lack structure: KBG

Founder-Editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Dr. K.B. Ganapathy (KBG) said: "Without Mathematics, other specialities would be devoid of a structure. Math assumes significance irrespective of field, as is evident with the knowledge of calculation we do in our daily life. Be it paying children's school fees and depositing/ withdrawing money from the bank, at least the common knowledge of Maths is essential."

"There are several achievers in life who succeeded because of their knowledge of Mathematics. For example, Reliance Industries Founder late Dhirubai Ambani, I am told, possessed masterly skill in Maths which catapulted him to a dizzying height in industry and business. Hence, Mathematics holds a distinct position than other subjects. I wish all the best to the institution that has organised the event and congratulate the award-winning children and also their parents who are encouraging their wards to pursue their passion," added Dr. Ganapathy.

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai - 1

Alter ego of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba?

This eternal land Bharat is unlike any other land on this planet earth inhabited by human beings. It is the only country in the world that has a religion not founded by one prophet and guided by one holy book. Its religion though identified by the name foreigners gave us as Hinduism and called the people who lived here — irrespective of their diversity in culture and plurality in race — as Hindus, the reality has always been that this is a land of *Sanatana Dharma*, "eternal law," where people led a way of life that is based on righteous, call it spiritual, conduct as enjoined in its ancient scriptures like *Vedas, Upanishads, Puranas* and epics *Ramayana* and *Mahabharata.*

Being born in such a land as a Hindu, call it *Sanatana Dharma* and lived a life of *Karma Yoga, Jnana Yoga, Raja Yoga* and *Bhakti Yoga,* consciously or unconsciously, I have come across a few spiritual persons who are unique and mystical in their own individual ways, apart from reading about those who have come and gone.

Among them I may mention here the names of Swami Chinmayananda, well-known for his *Geeta Jnana Yajna* discourses, Jiddu Krishnamurti, Puttaparthi Sathya Sai Baba, Osho Rajneesh of Pune, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji of Mysuru, Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev and the one I met yesterday morning **Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai.**

Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai is the youngest among those whom I have met. Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai was born on 26.7.1979 after the birth of *Star of Mysore*, 16.4.1978. He is now 44.

In the month of November 2023, I had visited an unusual kind of an educational institution housed in a magnificent, imposing building deep inside a village Maradevanahalli near Pandavapura in the neighbouring Mandya district. An *Abracadabra* on this institution was published on 5th November 2023 and the moving spirit behind it is this young spiritual master and social leader Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai.

K.B. Ganapathy and Prof. J. Shashidhara Prasad with Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai.

On Friday 22nd December, 2023 morning, I had an opportunity to meet him personally at the residence of Prof. J. Shashidhara Prasad, former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Mysore, in Jayalakshmipuram. As I was waiting in the drawing room, where a designated chair was placed with a soft fender-cushion to rest his feet, Sadguru made his entry with a *Namaste* and a smile. Immaculately dressed in ochre robe *(see picture),* he occupied the chair. Prof. Shashidhara Prasad and Bhamy V. Shenoy of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP), an NGO, who had accompanied me, were also there. I thought it would be my time. But Bhamy Shenoy being into educational concerns as an NGO fired the first salvo at the Sadguru and then there was no stopping him nor the Sadguru, who spoke impeccable english. Alas! I was left with very little time to interview Sadguru. But I have no regret because, myself being the Chairman of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysore Kendra and its schools, there was much for me to learn on various aspects of serving the cause of education by way of reclaiming what was lost in the past years of only secular education for Hindus.

When Sadguru's assistant announced that the pilot of the helicopter had come, I knew I had very little time. But Sadguru was cool and condescending. A soft spoken person, eloquent and articulate in speech, a *Sthitaprajna,* a person who is calm and firm, with a mind of equanimity. I seek Bhamy Shenoy's indulgence and ask my first question with a prelude:

"I ask you as a representative of my readers, majority of whom are laymen but deeply religious in their belief. There is a perception among people that there was Shirdi Sai Baba, then his reincarnation as Puttaparthi Sathya Sai Baba and now yourself. Is it a correct perception?"

Sadguru: I do not know about Shirdi Sai Baba and Puttaparthi Sai Baba and of the reincarnation. Yes, as for me I am the chosen one by Sathya Sai Baba of Puttaparthi.

KBG: Can you tell me how it came about?

Here let me deviate to explain what manner of a man I found him to be. He was not overly orthodox or conservative as a spiritual person. He was quite transparent in his looks and speech. There was hardly any modulation in his speech but there was a steady flow. His age and the attire seemed to bring in a veil of spiritual aura to his fair visage making him a magnetic person attracting devotees.

I had asked him about his journey from Chhattisgarh in Central India (where recently the BJP won the Assembly election) to his present destination and he narrated his journey, despite my interlocution in between, at length, sans any rigmarole that I have found in other spiritual persons, more with neophytes.

Thus spake Sadguru Sri Madhusudan Sai to me which I record here from memory since I did not make notes nor did I record.

Born as Madhusudan Naidu, his parents were employed and belonged to a middle class family. As education at Sri Sathya Sai Institute in Puttaparthi and Whitefield in Bengaluru was cheaper than in Chhattisgarh, he chose to travel to Puttaparthi and to Whitefield. A brilliant student with gold medals, he studied Master's degree in Chemistry and MBA. At the instance of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, he took up a job in the HDFC Bank in Bengaluru for about six years, though he was inclined to join the Prasanthi Nilayam in Puttaparthi and serve his Master Sai Baba.

However, the call came from Baba after his passing away in April 2011 and began to work from the year 2012 in the assigned area of education, health and nutrition, of course, as a service, free of salary.

[To be continued]

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'Viveka Sinchana'

Mysuru, Dec. 23- Vivekananda Rock Memorial and Vivekananda Kendra Kanyakumari, Mysuru Branch, is organising 'Viveka Sinchana' cultural competitions in different categories — LKG & UKG; Class 1 to 7; 8 to 10; College level and public — at Vivekananda Kendra, 1st Main, Jayanagar, Mysuru, from Dec. 25 to 30, daily at 4 pm.

Dec. 25 - Patriotic song, **Dec. 26 -** Folk Song; **Dec. 27-** Devaranama; **Dec. 28 -** Rangoli and Drawing; **Dec. 29 -** Quiz, Elocution, Essay on Life & Message of Vivekananda; **Dec. 30 -** Subhashita and Shloka. For details, call Mob: 94494-88228.

Book release

Mysuru, Dec. 23- 'Muppige Nenape Sanjeevini', a Kannada book authored by senior Science writer S. Ramprasad will be released under the aegis of Samvahana Prakashana and Mysuru Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota at Rotary West auditorium in Saraswathipuram at 10.30 am tomorrow (Dec.24).

Senior Journalist Ravindra Bhat will release the book. VVCE faculty Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna will speak on the book. Centre of Excellence for Classical Studies Planning Director Prof. N. M. Talwar will preside.

Cake Expo and Cake Model Competition

Mysuru, Dec. 23- The Cake Exhibition and Cake Model Competition organised by Infant Jesus Catholic Centre (IJCC) will be held from Dec. 23 to 25 at the Infant Jesus Cathedral, Hinkal.

Fr. Thomas Mangalathil, Director, will inaugurate the expo at 6.30 pm today. A.R. Joseph, President, IJCC, will preside. Christmas is the theme for Cake competition and the weight of cake should not exceed 3 kg. Entry is open for all. Winners will be awarded with cash prizes and mementoes.

Cake models will be exhibited during the Mega Christmas event on Dec.25, according to Thomas John and M.K. Sunil, Conveners. For details contact Jaison Androos, Secretary, IJCC on Mob: 98450-55462.

'Haridasa Smarane'

Mysuru, Dec. 23- Ajjana Mane - Kala Prapancha has organised 'Haridasa Smarane,' a Daasara Kriti Singing Competition at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, on Dec. 24 and 25 at 8 am.

Also, 'Margashira Manaranjane' programme has been organised at Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on Dec. 31 at 8 am. Over 100 students from nine schools will present the programme showcasing Kannada land and culture.

CM opens Winter Flower Show at Palace

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (SBD&BS)- Winter Flower Show-2023 got off to a colourful start at Mysore Palace premises last evening, with floral attractions in myriad hues, attracting the visitors. The entry to Flower Show is free and will be open for the public from 10 am to 9 pm till it concludes on Dec. 31.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah offered floral tributes to the idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari, placed in a chariot in front of Sri Shwetha Varaha Swamy Temple at the Palace, marking the inauguration of Flower Show.

Elephants Chanchala and Preethi of erstwhile Mysore royal family raised the trunks, as a symbol of respect to the CM and other dignitaries.

A procession of artistes dressed like Palace durbaris and soldiers holding aloft lancers bearing the royal insignia - Ganda Bherunda, Nandi Kambha, Bharatanatyam dancers, Mangala Vadya, art troupes performing Dollu Kunita and Gardui Gombe, resembled a Mini Dasara. The replicas of various tourist attractions of Mysuru, especially Sri Channakeshava Temple, Somanathapura, which was recently recognised as UNESCO World Heritage site, that reflects architectural glory of yore, made of flowers is the main attraction at the Flower Show. The other attractions include Shivalinga with the rendition of auto recorded 'Om Nama Shivay' in the backdrop and Sri Male Mahadeshwara Swamy that give a feel of religious tour.

Arjuna, the elephant which carried Golden Howdah for eight years in *Jumboo Savari* procession of Mysore Dasara from 2012 to 2019, who was killed by a wild tusker during an operation at Yeslur in Hassan district on Dec. 4, 2023, is also given a rich tribute in the form of a huge floral replica. A special photo exhibition featuring Arjuna by wildlife photographer G.S. Ravishankar and journalist K. Shashikumar is the another attraction.

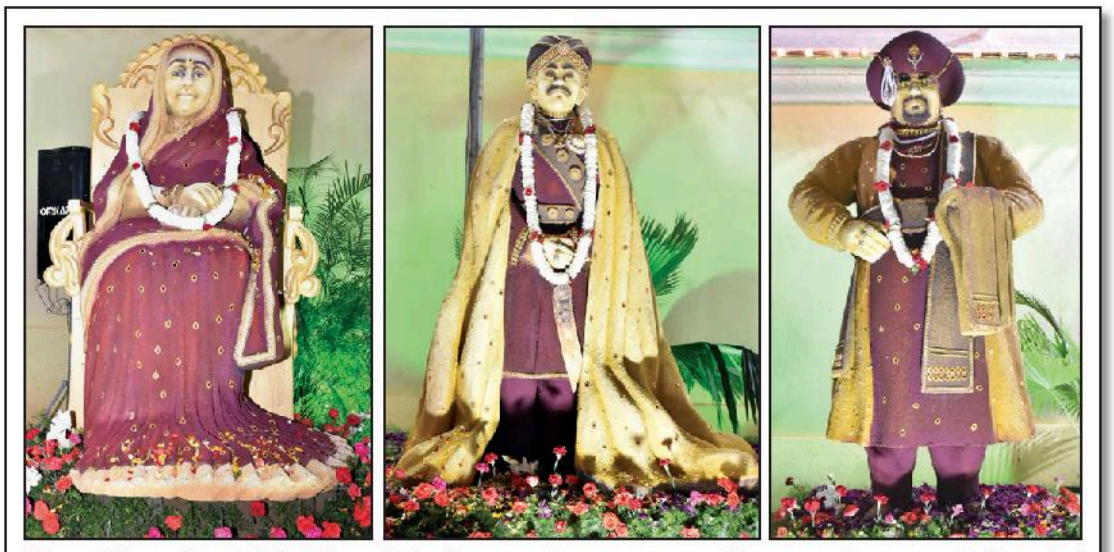
Slanting Flower Pot, Binoculars, Photo Point, Butterfly Photo Point, Selfie Point, Eagle Feather Photo Point, Dr. Rajkumar tilling the agricultural field with a pair of oxen, horse-driven Tonga and the list goes on, created using over 35 various species of flowers and four lakh colourful flowers and plants, suffice to attract the visitors to the world of flowers.

The recently launched Brand Mysuru logo, recreated in flowers, is also attracting the visitors, who look forward to catch the sight in the backdrop of illuminated Mysore Palace, that serves like an added attraction, till the conclusion of Flower Show daily from 7 pm to 9 pm. Various cultural programmes are also organised daily from 5.45 pm onwards till Dec. 25.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLA T.S. Srivatsa, MLCs Dr. D. Thimmaiah and Marithibbegowda, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, DIGP (Southern Range) Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah, City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh, Superintendent of Police Seema Latkar, Deputy Director of Mysore Palace Board T.S. Subramanya and others were present.

New Year celebrations

On Dec. 31, Karnatak and English Band by Police Dept. from 11 pm to 12 midnight; New Year celebrations by Mysore Palace Board with bursting of colourful soundless crackers from 12 midnight to 12.15 am (Jan. 1, 2024).



Hampi Stone Chariot, Sri Virupaksha Swamy, dowager queen Kempananjammanni (who ruled princely Mysore State as a regent), her son Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and great grandson Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar, all replicas made of millets, highlight the significance of the year 2023 observed as International Year of Millets.

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All that piece and parcel of the converted lands situated at Lingambudhi village, Kasaba hobli and Taluk, Mysuru District:							
1.	Survey No. 17	3 acres and 7 guntas (including 6 guntas of kharab)	Sadath Ali Khan Inayath Ali Khan Abid Ali Khan	Property bearing survey Nos. 20/1A, 19 and 18	Property bearing survey No. 15 and 16	Lake Area Road	Land survey No.44
2.	Survey No. 20/1A	1 acre and 11 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan Inayath Ali Khan Abid Ali Khan	Property bearing survey No. 132	Property bearing survey No. 17	Property bearing survey No. 23 & Lake Area Road	Property bearing survey No.19
3.	Survey No. 44/1	4752 square feet out of 1 acre and 22.08 guntas	M Rathna, daughter of S Muthaiah Mangalagowramma, wife of S Muthaiah, Y C Nagarathna, wife of late M Ravikumar, R Shreyas and Aishwarya children of Late M Ravikumar, M Nirmala, wife of Nataraju Pushpa, wife of Late M Lokesh Nagasundar, son of Late M Lokesh M Radha, wife of S T Shivashankaragowda, Chandrashekar, son of Late Jayamma, Prema daughter of Late Jayamma, Rajeshwari, Yashoda, Sadashiva and Ramu children of Late Ningamma Lakshmidevamma wife of S Narayanaswamy, N Asha daughter of S Narayanaswamy N Srinivas, son of S Narayanaswamy Lakshmi, wife of N Srinivas, Deekshitha and Suchitha daughters of N Srinivas, Chikkadevamma, Chikkathayamma, S Yogaraj and K Vijaya children of Late Siddegowda, Thripuramba wife of S Nagaraj, N Santhosh and N Supriya, children of S Nagaraj, K Vijaya, Kempamma, and Saroamma Children of Siddegowda	Property bearing survey No. 44/*	Remaining area of survey No. 44/1	Property bearing survey No. 17	Road

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TRAGEDY of Indian Opposition

Trinamool Congress MP Kalyan Banerjee performing a mimicry mocking the Vice-President of India and Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar outside the Parliament.

What a month it has been so far — smoke canisters, suspended MPs, mimicry of the Vice-President and amendments to 150-year-old laws. But the most disappointing outcome was the failure of the Opposition parties, yet again.

The Opposition parties in India do not do their job. Period. From the Jan Sangh to the BJP and now the Congress.

An Opposition party is supposed to be the 'voice of the people' against the Government of the day. Instead, our Opposition parties raise their voice, which becomes self-serving noise.

We remember the meek Opposition that led to the Emergency and how the Opposition squandered the opportunity to give a stable government. Even the BJP did nothing while blindly opposing everything when they were in the Opposition for ten long UPA years.

Every big scandal during the UPA Government was exposed by the media or by RTI activists; the BJP simply hijacked or piggy-backed on it to the finish line. Be it the Jan Lokpal movement, the 2G scam, the Commonwealth Games scam, or the Vadra scandal, they were all exposed by the media, not the BJP.

Now, while there was a security failure in Parliament, one should also consider that the attack was the outcome of the Opposition's failure. Why? Because...

The two boys entered the Parliament to draw the Government's attention to the issues of unemployment, price rise, violence in Manipur, and agrarian distress. Isn't it the Opposition's job to do just that in the Parliament?

When a prominent Opposition MP could handover her username and password to an industrialist sitting in Dubai to frame questions to embarrass the PM repeatedly, was there no MP in the Opposition who could take a few questions from disenchanted youths and voice them effectively in the Parliament?

It makes us wonder: While Rahul Gandhi calls BJP the *"Suit Boot Ke Sarkar,"* the Opposition is also a *"Suit Boot Ke Opposition"* because while an industrialist could get his questions asked in Parliament, ordinary citizens couldn't.

The most shocking failure of the Opposition this time was that they were more interested in discussing the security breach, which didn't cause any significant harm, rather than debating the criminal justice laws which were to be passed and would affect every citizen of this country?

Are the Opposition MPs more worried about their own security than the laws that will affect the security of Indian citizens for years to come? How selfish. What a misguided sense of purpose and priority our Opposition members have!

The criminal justice laws passed a few days ago were tabled in the Parliament in August this year. Back then, Opposition parties had some concerns about a few sections. These concerns were to be discussed and debated in this winter session.

But our Opposition parties felt a discussion on security breach was more important than debating the changes in criminal justice laws and so they screamed, shouted, rushed to the Well of the House, got themselves kicked out and are now crying foul!

The Opposition's behaviour was akin to a football match where most players purposely misbehaved, got themselves a red card, got kicked out of the game and, after the other team got a walkover, cried foul, leaving the supporters and spectators dumbfounded.

The Opposition has been highly irresponsible and has done a disservice to the people of this nation by behaving in a manner that got them suspended when three historic bills had to be discussed before being passed.

Did the Opposition self-sabotage as they wanted to save their face because this Government was changing 150-year-old British laws that these Opposition parties could not change for the 60 years when they ruled?

In our State Assembly, too, CM Siddaramaiah put the onus of answering questions related to the Parliament security breach on Prime Minister Narendra Modi. But he forgot that earlier this year, a man breached security and sat in the Vidhana Soudha when he (Siddaramaiah) was the CM. Just two days later, a knife was found on a person in the Assembly. Back then, why didn't this security breach seem so pressing to the Congress party?

Thankfully, our Speaker, U.T. Khader, reminded the MLAs what should be the priority when he said, *"Why are you wasting time instead of passing the Bills? We give passes liberally. However, be strict in issuing passes in future."* We wish the Lok Sabha Speaker gave a similar reminder to our MPs.

The biggest tragedy of Indian Democracy is the repeated failure of the Opposition, both in the Parliament and in the State Assemblies.

The Opposition parties do not effectively debate issues with fact, wit and humour. They are unable to enlighten the people of what the ruling Government is doing wrong and creating a groundswell. They have been unsuccessful in exposing any major corruption.

Instead, they scream, disrupt and, like recently, make a mockery of the issue with a mimicry show outside the Parliament. This behaviour has shown that they cannot be taken seriously because they lack the sense to know what issues should be given priority.

This behaviour of the Opposition MPs has made Modi come across as being more stoic, serious and a leader with gravitas. A leader who understands the burden of responsibility to govern a nation as large and complex as ours and is ready to bear that burden.

Meanwhile, the Opposition leaders exude the level of competence and maturity of a University Student Union. And no citizen wants amateurs to govern a nation.

The Opposition has failed us again, and so in Opposition, they shall sit again, as Modi may win again.

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Factories must provide jobs for locals

CM, son hold closed-door meeting with industrialists

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (BLU&BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has categorically instructed the representatives of factories and industries set up in Mysuru and surrounding districts to provide jobs to locals on priority.

The CM, who held a closed-door meeting with the top officers and industrialists of Mysuru, especially those of Nanjangud, at Hotel Fortune JP Palace, Nazarbad this morning, came out with specific instructions to factory managements.

"Locals should be given due priority in jobs and it is only if they lack required technical skills, the outsiders should be considered. We have adequate manpower with expertise, but should not be denied jobs on flimsy grounds. Most importantly, the family of land losers whose lands were acquired for factories should be given jobs. The factories are issued permission to set up their business with the aim of creating jobs for locals. Or else, the purpose of the Government won't be fulfilled" observed Siddaramaiah.

Factories contribute to progress of the State and also growth of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) rate. "Our Government is committed to provide all the facilities for industries, with subsidies. We are not against the industries, but our only motto is to create job opportunities for locals," affirmed Siddaramaiah.

Son-rise at meeting

Apart from restricting even the legislators and media to the meeting hall, attached to the cellar of the hotel, what aroused the curiosity further was the presence of former Varuna MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, the son of CM and member of Ashraya Committee, at the meeting. Yathindra was in controversy recently, after a video clip that went viral, where he was seen dictating terms regarding the transfer of Officers.

Deputy Commissioner Dr.K.V. Rajendra, Chief Executive Officer of Karnataka Industrial Areas Development Board (KIADB), Dr. M. Mahesh, DIGP (Southern Range) Dr. M.B. Boralingaiah, City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh and Managing Director of Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) Limited C.N. Shreedhar were notable among several Officers who attended the meeting.

Pile of files

As the meeting began with the arrival of CM from his T.K. Layout residence to the hotel at about 12.10 pm, a huge pile of files was also taken inside the meeting hall, raising further curiosity about what may have transpired at the meeting, with some waiting outside, speculating about various demands raised by industrialists.

As the media persons were present in large numbers, the Police restricted their access to cellar at the reception lounge in the ground floor itself.

Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda, former Chairman of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) C. Basavegowda and other leaders were also seen waiting at the reception. The City Police had turned the area around the hotel into a virtual fortress.

The CM who arrived on a two-day tour of the district yesterday, will be leaving for Bengaluru this evening at 7, after attending the prior engagements.

Joint Director of District Industries Centre Dinesh, Deputy Director Varade Gowda, Assistant Director Vijaykumar and other Officers were also present.

Siddaramaiah does a 'U-turn' on hijab ban

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (BLU&BS)- A day after announcing to withdraw ban on hijab, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah did a volte-face today saying no decision has been taken yet in this regard.

Reacting to media queries this afternoon in the wake of his announcement to withdraw ban on hijab, while speaking to media persons during his visit to Kavalande in Nanjangud taluk in the district yesterday, CM said "We haven't revoked the ban yet, but I replied on similar lines following a question raised by a reporter about the ban. We have been thinking about lifting the ban, but will discuss that at the Government level before taking a final decision."

Hijab (head scarf) worn by women and girl students of a particular community at educational institutions was banned by previous BJP Government.

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Delhi Police continue city stay

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Meanwhile, the special team from Delhi Police have completed the initial phase of its inquiry in Mysuru but the team has continued its stay in Mysuru, verifying the details collected from Manoranjan's hairdresser Soorappa, with whom he had huge financial dealings.

Yesterday, Soorappa, the salon owner, fled his establishment upon seeing a group of reporters gathered there near the Vijayanagar Water Tank area. Although the salon was open, it did not provide any services. The investigative team, originally focused on questioning Manoranjan's parents, did not interrogate Soorappa yesterday but was observed visiting other localities.

Sources suggest that the team is exploring various angles of the case and additional individuals may be subject to questioning. Interestingly, the team did not visit Manoranjan's residence or the salon yesterday. With a substantial financial connection established between Manoranjan and Soorappa, the investigators are delving into possible affiliations that could be linked to the Parliament breach.

Hanumad Vrata on Dec. 25

Mysuru, Dec. 23- Marking Hanuma Jayanti celebration, Hanumad Vrata will be held at Sri Anjaneyaswamy temple located adjacent to CFTRI compound and Opposite Railway grounds on KRS road on Dec.25.

The rituals will commence at 6 am on that day with Nirmaalya Visarjane, followed by other rituals. For more details, call- 96869 78861/ 81233 90748.

CESC public contact meeting on Dec. 27, 28

Mysuru, Dec. 23- Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has organised a public contact meeting on Dec. 27 and 28 at the following CESC Sub-Divisions in city.

Dec. 27: Hootagalli **(11 am)** and VV Mohalla **(3.30 pm). Dec. 28:** Kuvempunagar **(11 am)** and RK Nagar **(3.30 pm).**

Power consumers can attend the meeting and air their grievances and find solutions, according to a press release from the VV Mohalla Division CESC Executive Engineer.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Lokamatha H A, W/o Manchegowda H N, residing at Door No. 217, 'Alemane', 3rd Main, D-Block, Vijayanagara 3rd Stage, Mysuru - 570030 shall henceforth be known as **PARVATHI H A** vide affidavit dt 22/12/2023 sworn before Notary S V Nagendra. Mysuru.

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Siddu lays foundation stone for Kidwai Cancer Institute on KRS Road

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MTY&BCT)- The distinction of Mysuru as a healthcare hub, boasting state-of-the-art government and private hospitals, received a significant boost with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah laying the foundation for a Peripheral Centre of the Kidwai Memorial Cancer Institute at the Princess Krishnajammanni Tuberculosis and Chest Diseases Hospital (PKT-B&CD Sanatorium) campus on KRS Road here yesterday.

Kidwai Institute has long been a demand of the people in Mysuru region, with previous initiatives initiated by BJP Governments under B.S. Yediyurappa and Basavaraj Bommai, who allocated Rs. 50 crore for the project. The Congress Government will now contribute additionally to facilitate its completion.

Kidwai Cancer Institute will join the array of government healthcare facilities on KRS Road, which already includes modern establishments like Sri Jayadeva Institute for Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, Princess Krishnajammanni Super Speciality Hospital, Trauma Care Centre, ESI Hospital and Government Ayurveda Hi-Tech Panchakarma Hospital.

The CM also inaugurated the ladies' hostel of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI). In his address, he emphasised his government's commitment to providing free treatment without burden to working classes.

Easing pressure on Bengaluru

"Mysuru, being the fastest-growing city after Bengaluru and situated 140 kms away, faces the challenge of people travelling to Bengaluru for medical treatments, especially for heart-related issues. Recognising this, we established the branch of Jayadeva Hospital in Mysuru. Now, there is a full-fledged Sri Jayadeva Institute for Cardiovascular Sciences and Research here," Siddaramaiah stated.

Highlighting the noble nature of medical profession, he stressed the importance of extending quality and free healthcare to poor in all government hospitals. "If people acknowledge the quality of service at Jayadeva Institute, similar standards should be maintained across other Government Hospitals," he suggested.

He emphasised the essential quality of humanity in doctors serving in government hospitals, noting that kindness from medical professionals is crucial for ensuring proper treatment for the underprivileged.

Nephro-Urology Institute

Responding to the demand by Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda, the CM assured to establish Nephro-Urology Institute in Mysuru for kidney patients.

Speaking on the occasion, Harishgowda highlighted the current scenario where nearly 10,000 people from Mysuru travel to Kidwai Institute in Bengaluru every month for treatment. He expressed optimism about the establishment of Kidwai Centre in Mysuru, stating that it would provide local access to much-needed medical care. He mentioned that the facility is expected to be operational within the next two years.

Providing details, he informed that a substantial amount of Rs. 50 crore has been allocated to construct the Kidwai branch in Mysuru. The initial phase will involve the creation of a 100-bed facility and a 5-acre plot has been earmarked for this purpose. This development marks a significant step in enhancing healthcare accessibility for the residents of Mysuru and the surrounding regions, he added.

Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLAs Ravishankar and Anil Chikkamadu, MLCs Marithibbegowda, C.N. Manjegowda and Dr. D. Thimmaiah, former MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Kidwai Institute Director Dr. Lokesh, MMC&RI Director Dr. K.R. Dakshayani and others were present.

Facilities at Kidwai Mysuru

Basement: 4,165.85 sq. mts. The spacious basement has Patient Name Registry, 6-Seater Emergency Ward, Out Patient Examination Department, Blood Bank, Minor Operation Theatre; Radiology Department: X-Ray, Ultrasound, Mammogram, CT Scan, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, Pet Scan Department.

First floor: 3,741.44 sq.mts. It consists of 66-bedded General Ward, 13-bedded Intensive Care Unit, Operation Theatre Complex (Major 2), Post OP Recovery Section, Laboratory, Administration Section, Seminar Hall.

This hospital will have a 350-bed facility when fully functional. A 100-bed hospital will be started in the first phase. In this 66-ward bed, there will be 13 ICU bed, 6 emergency room bed, 2 patient preparation bed, 8 patient recovery bed, 6 consultation rooms.

MLA lauds CM's contributions to Mysuru's healthcare infrastructure

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MTY&BCT)- In recognition of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's substantial contributions to the city of Mysuru, MLA K. Harishgowda noted that, after the Wadiyar rule, Siddaramaiah played a pivotal role in establishing various healthcare institutions in Mysuru.

He highlighted the philanthropic legacy of Mysore royalty, who generously donated institutions like K.R. and Cheluvamba Hospital for the well-being of people. He lamented lack of significant government initiatives for Mysuru in the post-monarchy era until Siddaramaiah took charge.

During his first term, Siddaramaiah spearheaded the construction of key healthcare facilities, including the Rs. 230 crore Jayadeva Hospital, the Rs. 90 crore 300-bedded District Hospital, Trauma Care Centre and a Maternity Hospital, thereby contributing significantly to the city's health infrastructure.

Expressing confidence that Siddaramaiah's efforts would be etched in the memories of the people, he highlighted the ongoing initiatives in the CM's second term, particularly the construction of Kidwai Memorial Cancer Institute. He emphasised that these developments have improved health services, especially for economically disadvantaged individuals from the surrounding districts.

Recognising the absence of a dedicated Government hospital in Mysuru region for cancer patients, Harishgowda underscored the urgent need for a Nephro-Urology Unit. He urged for the allocation of such a centre to Mysuru, stressing its potential to benefit patients.

In a befitting tribute to Siddaramaiah's governance, Harishgowda proposed naming the KRS Road after Siddaramaiah. He argued that many Government-owned hospitals in the city were sanctioned during Siddaramaiah's tenure, making it a meaningful acknowledgment of his contributions to Mysuru's healthcare infrastructure.

Bone marrow transplant facility in Mysuru

In response to the appeal from former MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, the CM has committed to taking steps for the establishment of a bone marrow transplant facility in Mysuru.

Currently, the State-run Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology in Bengaluru houses such a centre. With the Kidwai Centre in Mysuru, there is potential for considering the inclusion of a bone marrow transplant facility once the cancer centre becomes operational in city.

Siddu's unfulfilled doctor dreams, 12 paise *set dosa* and a dig at BJP

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MTY&BCT)- Laying the foundation stone for the Peripheral Centre of Kidwai Memorial Cancer Institute yesterday, CM Siddaramaiah humorously reflected on his unfulfilled desire to become a doctor.

He said, "I came to Mysuru from a rural area with the aspiration to study MBBS. During my PUC days at Vidyavardhaka College, observing the medical students from nearby Mysore Medical College (MMC), I harboured a strong desire to become a doctor. Unfortunately, I couldn't secure an MBBS seat, so I pursued B.Sc. If I had become a doctor, I might not have had the opportunity to serve as Chief Minister twice. Nonetheless, I'm pleased that I now have the chance to serve the people in this capacity. But my son Yathindra is a doctor."

Set dosa for 12 paise

Reflecting on his college days at Vidyavardhaka, Siddaramaiah shared a nostalgic anecdote. He recalled frequenting the canteen of MMC in 1961-62, where a *masala dosa* was priced at 19 paise. "Amusingly, if you paid 12 paise, you would receive a set of three *dosas*. I used to indulge in *dosa* only when I had the money. When I had 12 paise, I used to enjoy a *set dosa* without accompanying tea or coffee," he added.

Claiming credit

Addressing the issue of undue credit, Siddaramaiah cited an example from his first term as CM, where initiatives such as the construction of Expressway between Mysuru - Bengaluru, were wrongly attributed to those succeeding his Government (BJP). In a subtle reference to MP Pratap Simmha, he underscored the need for honesty in acknowledging contributions.

In a conversation with MLC C.N. Manjegowda on stage, Siddaramaiah sought confirmation that the BJP did not contribute any projects to Mysuru during their tenure. Manjegowda, acknowledging this, replied with a simple "yes, sir," highlighting the absence of significant initiatives during BJP's governance. The CM's comment, "I asked you because you belong to a different party," attempted to highlight the so-called contrast in contributions between political parties.

New Police Station buildings inaugurated at Kavalande, Jayapura and Antharasanthe

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (TRR&BCT)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah last evening inaugurated the new Police Station buildings at Kavalande, Jayapura and Antharasanthe in Nanjangud taluk, Mysuru district, at a total cost of Rs. 4.4 crore.

In his address to the Police and the public, the CM underscored the critical role of law and order in the State's economic growth, urging the Police to enhance intelligence gathering and focus on crime prevention.

Siddaramaiah expressed concern about ongoing shameful practices, emphasising that some powerful individuals erroneously believe they can manipulate the law to commit atrocities against the vulnerable. He urged the Police not to yield to the influence of the wealthy and advocated for proactive measures to prevent crimes.

Acknowledging the challenge of public reluctance to become witnesses, the CM addressed the issue of fake witnesses, contributing to case failures in courts. He called for a more people-friendly approach by the Police, encouraging civil communication and gaining public confidence.

This approach of being more public-friendly will also enhance the department's respect in the eyes of the people, he added. He also said, for this, Police should speak in a civilised manner and gain the confidence of the public.

Highlighting the importance of intelligence gathering, Siddaramaiah emphasised its role in preventing crime and strengthening law and order.

Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwara praised the Congress Government's efforts in ensuring a peaceful Karnataka and commended the Karnataka Police for their efficient work.

The event was attended by Nanjangud MLA Darshan Dhruvanarayan, Mysuru District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MLAs Anil Chikkamadu, Ravishankar, A.R. Krishnamurthy, MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, former MLAs Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Kalale Keshavamurthy, former MP Kagalavadi Shivanna, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, Superintendent of Police Seema Latkar and senior officers of the Police Department.

Fire mishap in Dasara Exhibition premises

Mysuru, Dec. 23 (MK& DM)- Fire broke out in Dasara exhibition premises due to a purported short circuit on Friday.

Thick smoke was noticed in the exhibition premises facing the Zoo parking side at about 6 pm,when the electrical staff of KEA (Karnataka Exhibition Authority), who arrived at the spot soon after receiving information, prevented the fire from spreading by replacing the burnt cables.

Due to the mishap, the Dasara expo witnessed a power outage for almost 2 hours. The visitors were seen expressing their disappointment for not having been able to witness the stalls due to power outage, it is learnt.

Karnataka to withdraw hijab ban order: CM Siddaramaiah

Nanjangud, Dec. 23 (OSR)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah announced on Friday that his Government will withdraw the ban on hijab in educational institutions. Speaking after inaugurating the new Police Station buildings at Kavalande, Jayapura, and Antharasanthe in Nanjangud taluk, Mysuru district, the CM announced this decision.

Later in a post on X (formerly Twitter) in Kannada, he directed officials to lift the hijab ban, accusing the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) of dividing society based on clothing and caste.

He tweeted: "I have told (officials) to withdraw the hijab ban." The ban was first imposed by the BJP Government in the State's educational institutions in 2022.

Speaking at Nanjangud, Siddaramaiah also said that it is a personal choice to wear the kind of dress one wants. "Dressing and eating food is our choice, why should I object? Wear whatever dress you want, eat whatever you want, why should I care. We should not do politics to get votes, we don't do that," Siddaramaiah said.

Vijayendra objects

Reacting to this, Karnataka State BJP Chief B.Y. Vijayendra said, "CM Siddaramaiah's decision to withdraw the hijab ban in educational institutions raises concerns about the secular nature of our educational spaces. By allowing religious attire in educational institutions, Siddaramaiah Govt. is promoting dividing young minds along religious lines, potentially hindering the inclusive learning environment. It's crucial to prioritise education over divisive practices and foster an environment where students can focus on academics without the influence of religious practices."

The controversial ban, imposed by the BJP Government in February last year, had faced significant opposition, with numerous students challenging the order in the Karnataka High Court. In March last year, the Court upheld the ban, asserting that wearing a hijab was not an essential religious practice of Islam.

The issue reached the Supreme Court in October 2022, resulting in a split verdict. Justice Hemant Gupta, now retired, upheld the ban, stressing its role in promoting uniformity and a secular environment in classrooms. In contrast, Justice Sudhanshu Dhulia set aside the orders, stating that the right to wear the hijab in classrooms was a matter of personal choice and a fundamental right.

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Schedule

Description of the Schedule Properties

Sl. No.	Property No.	Extent	Owner(s)	Boundaries			
				East	West	North	South
All that piece and parcel of the agricultural lands situated at Kadakola village, Jayapura hobli, Mysuru taluk, Mysuru :							
1.	Survey No. 74/2	2 acres and 4 guntas (including 9 guntas of kharab)	Inayath Ali Khan son of Habib Khan	Land belonging to Sadath Ali Khan and SC Basavanna	Land belonging to Puttamma and Lakshmamma	Madaragalli village boundary	Land belonging to Marayya alias Mada
2.	Survey No 74/3	2 acres and 2 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Habib Khan	Remaining land in property bearing survey No. 75/1	Land belonging to Basavanna	Land belonging Nagarajegowda
3.	Survey No. 75/1	1 acre and 19 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Eregowda and Private Property	Land belonging to Nagarajegowda	Private Property	Remaining land in survey No. 75/1
4.	Survey No. 75/1	2 acres and 12 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan Inayath Ali Khan	Passage and land belonging to Potharaju	Land belonging to Sadath Ali Khan and Molaiah	Land belonging to Nagaraje Gowda	Land belonging to Siddaramu and Mahadevu
5.	Survey No. 75/1	1 acre	Sadath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Prabharaje	Land belonging to Madayya	Land belonging to Puttaiyya	Land belonging to Madayya
6.	Survey No. 75/1	1 acre and 25 guntas	Abid Ali Khan	Land belonging to Sadath Ali Khan and Inayath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Bireyya	Land belonging to Sadath Ali Khan And Inayath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Ramegowda
7.	Survey No. 76/3	37 guntas	Inayath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Tammayya	Land belonging to Shivananjayya	Land belonging to Sadath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Shivananjayya
8.	Survey No. 76/4	1 acre	Abid Ali Khan	Land belonging to Nanjegowda	Land belonging to Inayath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Mohammed Ali Khan	Land belonging to Nanjegowda
9.	Survey No. 76/5	20 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan	Land belonging to Maramma	Land belonging to Mahadevamma	Land belonging to Maramma	Land belonging to Siddaramu Gowda
10	Survey No. 76/6	19 guntas	Sadath Ali Khan				
11.	Survey No. 79/2	18 guntas	Abid Ali Khan	Land belonging to Nanjegowda	Land belonging to Nagarajegowda and others	Land belonging to Mahadevamma	Land belonging to Nanjegowda
12.	Survey No. 79/3	3 acres and 5 guntas	Inayath Ali Khan				
13.	Survey No. 79/4	1 acre and 7 guntas	Inayath Ali Khan	Land belonging to late Karigowda's family	Land belonging to Nagaraje Gowda	Land belonging to Inayath	Land belonging to Chikkandegowda

Place : Bengaluru
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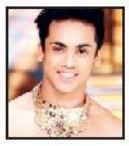
EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 23)



- **Mysore Palace Board:** Winter Flower Show, **up to 9 pm;** Palace illumination, **7 pm to 9 pm;** Cultural Programme 'Laya-Nada Taranga Sangeetha Milana' by Hanumantaraju, **5.45 pm;** Dance by **Kishen Bilagali** of The Academy of Dance, **6.30 pm;** Musical Evening by playback singer Ekambaram Lakshminarayan, Palace premises, **7.45 pm to 9.45 pm.**
- **St. Philomena's Church:** Christmas Carnival-2023, 'Christmas Cantata' (Main Event), a show-stopping musical event with beautiful music-filled stages and eternal message of hope, Church premises, **up to 10 pm.** [Mob: 77604-51196]
- **ISKCON Temple, Jayanagar:** Sri Vaikunta Ekadashi celebrations, Vaikunta Dwara will be erected at the main entrance of temple and devotees can have special Vaikunta Dwara Pravesha; Sangeeta Seva - several vocal and instrumental artistes will perform, Temple premises, **up to 10 pm.** [Mob: 91080-31102]
- **Vishwa Sanketi Bharati Trust, Mathur, Kaushika Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Bettadapura Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Sanketi Sangama Patrike, Hosahalli and Astika Vivardhini Sanketi Sangha, Lingadahalli:** Inauguration of 2-day first State-level Literary Meet of Sanketi Community writers by acclaimed writer and Saraswati Samman awardee Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, senior scholar of Mysuru Dr. K. Anantharamu chairs the meet, Vidushi Dr. R.N. Srilatha renders invocation, Samskruti Subramanya welcomes, Vishwa Sanketi Bharati Trust-Mathur President M.B. Bhanuprakash delivers keynote address, MLA T.S. Srivatsa is the Steering Committee Hon. President, Nacharamma Bhavan, Second Main Road, Jayanagar, **3 pm.** [Mob: 94480-37762]
- **Hotel Owners Credit Co-operative Society:** Valedictory of Silver Jubilee celebrations, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah inaugurates in the presence of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa presents Pratibha Puraskar, MP Pratap Simmha, MLAs G.T. Devegowda, Tanveer Sait, K. Harishgowda and T.S. Srivatsa, *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra* Founder-Editor K.B. Ganapathy and former MLA Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah chief guests; Felicitation of elderly hotel owners who have completed 50 years of service; Musical Concert by Ravi Murur and team, Bunts Bhavan, Vijayanagar, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Vidyavardhaka Composite PU College, Seshadri Iyer Road:** Annual Day celebrations, DDPU M. Mariswamy chief guest, Vidyavardhaka Sangha (VVS) Hon. President Gundappa Gowda presides, College premises, **4.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** Kathe Kelona Banni - 807, story telling by P. Mukund, retired Head Master, Seva Bharathi, Teerthahalli; Suruchi Rangamane, 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 to 5.30 pm.** [Mob: 9243581097, 9945943115]
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram:** Discourse by Pt. Sri Ramachandracharya, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6 pm.**
- **Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, Mysuru Unit:** Geethotsava - music programme by Y.K. Muddukrishna, Dr. Kikkeri Krishnamurthy, Praveen, Pradeep, Shreya Bhat, Pratham Bhat, Sinchana Gopal, Rashmi Chikkamagalur, Pratibhanjali Devid Mandya, Narasimhamurthy Chamarajanagar, Indrani Anantrao and Purushottam, accompanied by Ganesh Bhat, Akhilesh and Purushottam on keyboard, Kiran, Roshan and Indushekar on tabla, Arun on rhythm pad, Prasad on drums, Krishna Mysuru - sounds, P.C. Amulya comperes; Parishat Bengaluru President and Singer Y.K. Muddukrishna inaugurates, Parishat Mysuru Unit President V. Nagaraj Bairy presides, MBCT auditorium, Vishweshwaranagar, **5 pm.**
- **National Institute of Engineering and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE):** Valedictory of Smart India Hackathon 2023 Hardware Edition , AICTE Chairman Prof. T.G. Sitharam chief guest, Diamond Jubilee Sports Complex, NIE-South Campus, **5.15 pm.**
- **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru:** Monthly Music Programme, prayer by Hindustani Music Students (BVB's Kalabharathi Wing), **5.35 pm;** Welcome address and introduction of artistes by Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra, **5.40 pm;** Music Programme by **Vid. N.R. Prashanth** (Karnatak Vocal), Vid. Keshava (violin) and Vid. Radhesh (mridanga), Prof. Y.T. Thathachari auditorium, BVB premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6 pm to 8 pm.**

- **Sri Gita Pracharini Sabha Trust, Mysuru (Gita Mandira):** 89th Annual Sri Gita Jayanti Mahotsava, Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana, **6 pm;** Discourse on 'Hanuman Chalisa' by Vid. Dr. T.V. Satyanarayana, Trust premises, Ashoka Road, Sri Gita Mandira Road, **7 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust:** Devaranama Sankeerthane by Sumanashree & Samanvitha, P. Prerana on violin, Shubang Samaga on mridanga and Ajay on ghata, Trust premises, Sri Rama Mandira, Srirampet, **6 pm.**
- **International Odissi Forum, Bhubaneswar, Rudra Nritya Yogashala, Mysuru, Puri Jagannath Cultural & Welfare Trust and Mysuru Odissi family:** Mysuru Odissi Utsav, Participants are Sindhu Kiran - Rudra Nrityayo-gashala, Mysuru, Jyothsna Appaiah Singh - Dubai, Tania Manna - Kolkata, Lipika Nayak - Bengaluru, Payel Mazumder Mandal - Bengaluru, Enakshi Mazumdar Mandal - Bengaluru, Deepika Rathnakar and Jenin Bengaluru, Jyotirmayi Patnayak Bengaluru and Stutya Shree Rudra Nrityayogashala, Mysuru; Ghanashyam Pradhan (President of Puri Jagannatha Cultural and Welfare Trust, Mysuru), Bharathi Sridhara Raj Urs (Secretary of Sree Krishna Seva Samithi Trust, Mysuru) and Dr. B.P. Murthy (Working President of Mysuru Yoga Okkuta) chief guests, special guest and anchor Badari Divya Bhushan (Internationally famous Bharatanatyam dancer and Founder of Bhushan's Academy of Performing Arts, Mysuru) will participate in the Festival, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishananagar, **6 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Gana Sabha:** Memorial Cultural Programmes - Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Deepti Radhakrishna, B.V. Devaraju and Vidu. Manasvini in memory of S.R. Kumudha, instituted by S.R. Kumudha Charitable Trust, President Nandakumar inaugurates, Alwar Kala Bhavan, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru, MSIL, Bengaluru, Directorate of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru and Ministry of Culture, New Delhi:** Niranthara Ranga Utsava 2023-24, Journalist Rashmi Koti and Kannada & Culture-Mysuru Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan will be present, **6.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Project Darling' by Nirdiganta, Sr-irangapatna; Written and directed by Sharanya Ramaprakash, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.**
- **Sri Uttaradi Mutt - Rogamochana Sri Dhanvantari Sannidhana:** Sri Bhagavad Gita Abhiyana, discourse by Pt. Sri Ramachandracharya Umarji, Rogamochana Sri Dhanvantari Sannidhana, Uttaradi Mutt, Agrahara, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 24)

- **Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt:** Dhanurmasa Puja, darshan timings, Temple premises, Sri Yadugiri Yathiraja Mutt, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5.30 am to 10.30 am** and **4.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar:** Sri Vaikunta Ekadashi celebrations, display of replica of Sri Ayodhya Rama Mandira, **6 am to 11 pm;** Gamaka Vachana by scholars, **6.30 pm.**
- **Young Challengers Sports Club (YCSC), Ashokapuram:** 2-km run (run for good health), starting from Ambedkar Park, Ashokapuram, **7 am.** [Mob: 98808-41510 or 98862-37877]
- **Muguru Karnataka Brahmana Sangha and Samana Manaskara Balaga:** Ekadasha Shatarudrabhisheka Puja Programme, Muguru Karnataka Brahmana Sangha premises, Sri Sharadaniketana, JLB Road, Chamundipuram, **7.30 am onwards.**
- **Sri Gita Pracharini Sabha Trust, Mysuru (Gita Mandira):** 89th Annual Sri Gita Jayanti Mahotsava, Mass Bhagavad Gita Parayana, **7.30 am to 8.30 am;** Mahamangalarathi and Prasada Viniyoga, **8.30 am to 9 am;** Rathotsava, Ganapati Homa and Vishnu Sahasranama Homa, 'Akhanda Bhajane' by Sri Bhavasara Kshatriya Bhajana Mandali, **10 am to 12.30 pm;** Annapoorneshwari Puje, Anna Santarpane Programme, Trust premises, Ashoka Road, Sri Gita Mandira Road, **1 pm.**
- **Vishwa Sanketi Bharati Trust, Mathur, Kaushika Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Bettadapura Sanketi Sangha, Mysuru, Sanketi Sangama Patrike, Hosahalli and Astika Vivardhini Sanketi Sangha, Lingadahalli:** State-level Literary Meet of Sanketi Community writers, Kavigoshti, **8 am;** Session-3, **9.45 am to 11.15 am;** Felicitation to senior achievers, **11.30 am;** Book release, **11.45 am;** Valedictory, senior scholar of Mysuru Dr. B.S. Pranatartiharan delivers the valedictory address, Nacharamma Bhavan, Second Main Road, Jayanagar, **12.45 pm.** [Mob: 94480-37762]
- **Ajjana Mane - Kala Prapancha:** Haridasa Smarane - Dasara Kriti Singing Competition, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **8 am.**
- **Taralabalu Educational Institutions:** Prize distribution and Pratibha Puraskar programme, DDPI H.K. Pandu distributes prizes to the winners of cultural & sports competitions, **9.30 am;** Annivesary celebrations, DDPUE M. Mariswamy & retd. Botany Professor Dr. G.R. Shivamurthy chief guests, Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar delivers valedictory address, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**
- **Spoorthi - The Ladies Wing of Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysuru Centre:** 'Spoorthi Jatre,' Shubha Sanjay Urs, Founder and Chairperson of Mysuru Books Club-2015, inaugurates, **9.30 am;** Spoorthi Jatre, Jayamma Govindegowda Kalyana Mantapa, Kuvempunagar, **10 am to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sudharma Samskritha Daily Newspaper:** Releasing of 2024 Calendar by S. Ramanna of RSS, *Sudharma* Hon. Editor Vidwan Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao presides, Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa guest, Sudharma Hon. Editor Vidwan Dr. T.V. Satyanarayana delivers the keynote address; felicitation to Sanskrit teachers Vid. H.M. Sudheera Heggade (Shivamogga) and Vid. Srivatsacharya (Mysuru), Srimanmaharaja Samskritha Mahapathashale, **10.30 am.**
- **Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Hanuma Jayanti - Puja and Mahamangalarati at Karya Siddhi Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, **10.30 am.** [Ph: 0821-2486486]
- **JSS Mysore Urban Haat:** Gandhi Shilp Bazaar, All India Handicrafts & Handloom Expo-cum-Sale, Ring Road, Hebbal Industrial Area, **10.30 am to 9 pm.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** National expo of household goods, Maharaja's College Grounds, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA):** Dasara Exhibition, Doddakere Maidan, **3 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Mysore Palace Board:** Winter Flower Show, **10 am to 9 pm;** Palace illumination, **7 pm to 9 pm;** Cultural Programme - Karate Demo by Rensi N. Yogesh, **5.45 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by Hemalatha Kumaraswamy and troupe, **6.30 pm;** 'Sangeetha Yana' by Hemanth, Shamitha Malnad, Prithvi Bhat, Ashwin Sharma, Ankita Kundu and troupe, Palace premises, **7.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram:** Discourse by Pt. Sri Ramachandracharya, Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6 pm.** [Ph: 0821-2511355]
- **Nruthyathi Kalaashaale:** Rangavidhipraveshika of D. Aisiri, disciple of Guru Anusha Varun, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Gana Sabha:** Memorial Cultural events, Karnatak classical vocal recital by Vid. Ramani Shankar, accompanied by Vid. M. Keshav on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Shamith Gowda on ghata, (event is sponsored by H.R. Srirangarajan in memory of his parents), Alwar Kala Bhavan, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Jnanayogananda speaks on 'Sri Ramakrishna Vachanaveda,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru - Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, Mysuru:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
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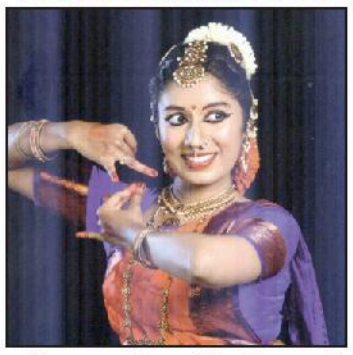
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru, MSIL, Bengaluru, Directorate of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru and Ministry of Culture, New Delhi:** Niranthara Ranga Utsava 2023-24, Senior Theatre Person Rameshwari Verma and Honnalli Gangadhar of Hasiru Foundation-Bengaluru will be present, **6.30 pm;** Staging of play 'Goruru' (based on Goruru Ramaswamy Iyengar's essays) by Niranthara, Mysuru; Directed by Manjunatha L. Badigera, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, Hunsur Road, **7 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts:** Staging of play 'Huttava Badidare,' written by K.V. Narayana, directed by N. Mangala, music by B.V. Karanth, Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Nataraja Performing Arts Centre:** Nritya Sambhrama, art patron G.R. Nagaraj inaugurates, Uma Maheshwara Nritya Kala Kendra-Mysuru Director Vidu. Srilakshmi Kumar and Kannada & Culture Assistant Director M.D. Sudarshan chief guests, Sri Nataraja Performing Arts Centre President M.K. Balaraj presides, **6.30 pm;** 'Nritya Vaibhava' - Dance programme by students of Sri Nataraja Performing Arts Centre, Ganabharathi's Ramagovinda Kalavedike, Kuvempunagar, **7 pm.**

Rangavidhipraveshika of D. Aisiri tomorrow



Mysuru, Dec. 23- Rangavidhipraveshika of D. Aisiri, disciple of Guru Anusha Varun, has been organised at RamaGovinda Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar tomorrow (Dec. 24) at 5.30 pm, under the aegis of Nruthyathi Kalaashaale. Daughter of J.V. Savitha and S. Devegowda, Aisiri will be accompanied by Guru Anusha Varun on natuvanga, Vid. Raghunandan on vocal, Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga, Vid. Rakesh Sudhir on flute, Vid. Pradesh Achar on violin and Vid. Anantha Krishna Swamy on rhythm pad.

Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji of Adichunchanagiri Shakha Mutt, Mysuru, will inaugurate. Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda will be the chief guest.

Internationally renowned Bharatanatyam danseuse Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, renowned Musician *Gayana Gandharva* Dr. R.S. Nandakumar, Senior Natyaguru of Karnataka *Natyacharya* Vidwan R. Kannan, renowned Bharatanatyam Artiste and Guru K. Sandesh Bhargav (Vice-President of Global Solution & Transformation, Li & Fung) will be present. Dr. Bhuvaneshwari, Assistant Professor, Department of Dance, Satya Sai University for Human Excellence, Dr. Sheela Sridhar, Professor, Department of Dance, University of Mysore, Guru Vidu. Mithra Naveen, Director, Nadavidyalaya Academy of Music and Dance, Mysuru, will be the guests of honour.

Sudharma's 2024 Calendar release

Mysuru, Dec. 23 - *Sudharma* Sanskrit Daily Newspaper has organised a programme at Srimanmaharaja Sanskrit Pathashala in city tomorrow (Dec. 24) at 10.30 am to release the calendar for the year 2024.

S. Ramanna of RSS will release the calendar. *Sudharma* Hon. Editor Vidwan Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao will preside. Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa will be the guest. *Sudharma* Hon. Editor Vidwan Dr. T.V. Satyanarayana will deliver keynote address. Sanskrit teachers Vid. H.M. Sudheera Heggade (Shivamogga) and Vid. Srivatsacharya (Mysuru) will be felicitated. Pathashala Principal Vid. Dr. P. Satyanarayana will be present.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Dunki (H) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Kaiva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Bad Manners (K) - 4 Shows

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Salaar Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	(S-1)	9.15 am, 3.50 pm, 10.20 pm
	(S-3)	7.00 am
	(S-4)	7.15 am, 12.30 pm, 7 pm
Salaar Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	(S-2)	9 am, 6.50 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Dunki (H)	(S-1)	12.50 pm, 7.15 pm
	(S-3)	10.30 am
	(S-4)	3.55 pm, 10.25 pm
Animal (H)	(S-2)	12.20 pm
Sam Bahadur (H)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Neru (Ma)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.15 pm

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Dunki (H)	:	10.05 am, 1.10 pm, 3.35 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.55 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	10.25 am, 4.15 pm, 6.10 pm, 9.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	1.45 pm, 5.00 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	1.00 pm, 7.30 pm, 9.45 pm
Kaiva (K)	:	1.30 pm

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Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	7.10 am, 8.10 am, 10.45 am, 11.45 am, 12.20 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.30 pm,10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (K)	:	8.05 am, 11.15 am, 3.00 pm, 6.25 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (H)	:	2.50 pm, 5.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Salaar: Cease fire - Part 1 (Ma)	:	6.35 pm
Dunki (H)	:	9 am, 11.40 am, 12.20 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.40 pm, 7, 10.20 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	9.35 am, 3.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Neru (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

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Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (Te)	:	7.10 am, 8.10 am, 10.45 am, 11.45 am, 2.20 pm, 3.20 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (K)	:	9.05 am, 3.25 pm
Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	5.55 pm
Dunki (H)	:	8.30 am, 11.50 am, 3.10 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Aquaman & The Lost Kingdom (E-3D)	:	12.40 pm, 7.00 pm

Gruha Shobhe Exhibition and Cake Show to conclude on Dec.25

Mysuru, Dec. 23- The 11-day Gruha Shobhe International Living Style Exhibition and Cake Show from Dolphin Bakers, which began on Dec. 15 at Maharaja's College Grounds, is attracting a good crowd.

Cake replicas of Delhi Lotus Building, Qutub Minar and Red Fort from Dolphin Bakers are also big hits at the expo.

Ahead of Christmas and New Year, Dolphin Bakers have come out with its annual 13th Dolphin Cake Show at Gruha Shobhe. Cakes of various shapes and sizes are on display.

Briefing about cake replicas, Mohamed Nizar, CEO of Dolphin Bakers, said "Season special varieties of cakes like plum cakes, fruit cakes, banana cakes, ghee cakes, Irish cakes, walnut cakes and brownies are our speciality."

"Thirteen different cake models worth around Rs. 6.5 lakh are on display. Among various replicas of cake, Delhi Lotus Building cake is 5 ft. in height, Qutub Minar is 10 ft. and Red Fort is 6 ft. in height — all these replicas made of various ingredients are cynosure of cake show. A total of 8 members (including the executive chef) worked 14 days for the completion of these replicas. Apart from this we have also come out with various other models. Booking of cakes for Christmas and for New Year is also undertaken at the exhibition," he said.

There are more than 100 stalls displaying branded products like electronics, appliances, automobiles, furniture, paintings, carpets, modular kitchens among other products at the Gruha Shobhe Exhibition. Besides huge discounts and surprise gifts, many attractive offers on different products are available.

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Salaar: Cease Fire - Part 1 (H)	:	5.40 pm
Dunki (H)	:	8.30 am, 11.50 am, 3.10 pm, 4.25 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.50 pm, 10:30 pm
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